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LCO No. 3761

Referred to Committee on Judiciary

Introduced by:
(JUD)

***AN ACT CONCERNING PROFESSIONAL CORPORATIONS OF
PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 33-182a of the general statutes is repealed and the
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2003*):

3 As used in this chapter: [the following words shall have the
4 meaning indicated:]

5 (1) "Professional service" means any type of service to the public
6 that requires that members of a profession rendering such service
7 obtain a license or other legal authorization as a condition precedent to
8 the rendition thereof, limited to the professional services rendered by
9 dentists, natureopaths, chiropractors, physicians and surgeons,
10 physician assistants, doctors of dentistry, physical therapists,
11 occupational therapists, podiatrists, optometrists, nurses,
12 nurse-midwives, veterinarians, pharmacists, architects, professional
13 engineers, or jointly by architects and professional engineers,
14 landscape architects, real estate brokers, insurance producers, certified
15 public accountants and public accountants, land surveyors,

16 psychologists, attorneys-at-law, licensed marital and family therapists,
17 licensed professional counselors and licensed clinical social workers.

18 (2) "Professional corporation" means (A) a corporation which is
19 organized under this chapter for the sole and specific purpose of
20 rendering professional service and which has as its shareholders only
21 individuals who themselves are licensed or otherwise legally
22 authorized to render the same professional service as the corporation,
23 (B) a corporation which is organized under this chapter for the sole
24 and specific purpose of rendering professional services rendered by
25 members of two or more of the following professions: Psychology,
26 marital and family therapy, social work, nursing, professional
27 counseling and psychiatry and that has as its shareholders only
28 individuals who themselves are licensed or otherwise legally
29 authorized to render one of the professional services for which the
30 corporation was specifically incorporated, [or] (C) a corporation which
31 is organized under this chapter for the sole and specific purpose of
32 rendering professional services by physicians specializing in
33 ophthalmology and optometrists and that has as its shareholders only
34 individuals who themselves are licensed or otherwise legally
35 authorized to render one of the professional services for which the
36 corporation was specifically incorporated, or (D) a corporation which
37 is organized under this chapter for the sole and specific purpose of
38 rendering professional services by physicians and physician assistants
39 and that has as its shareholders only individuals who themselves are
40 licensed or otherwise legally authorized to render one of the
41 professional services for which the corporation was specifically
42 incorporated.

43 (3) "Shareholder" means the holder of any shares of the capital stock
44 of a professional corporation. The shareholders of a professional
45 corporation may be designated as "members" in its certificate of
46 incorporation, bylaws and other corporate documents and may be
47 referred to, for all purposes, as "members", whether or not so
48 designated; and [,] the term "shareholder" or "shareholders", when

49 used in the general statutes in reference to the shareholders of a
50 professional corporation, shall include such "members".

51 Sec. 2. Subsection (b) of section 33-182c of the general statutes is
52 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*
53 *October 1, 2003*):

54 (b) Any group of persons, each member of which is licensed or
55 otherwise legally authorized to render any of the professional services
56 specified in subparagraph (B), [or] (C) or (D) of subdivision (2) of
57 section 33-182a, as amended by this act, may organize and become
58 shareholders of a professional corporation for profit under the
59 provisions of chapter 601, for the sole and specific purpose of
60 rendering two or more of the professional services specified in said
61 subparagraph (B), [or] (C) or (D), respectively.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2003</i>
Sec. 2	<i>October 1, 2003</i>

Statement of Purpose:

To authorize a physician assistant to enter into a corporate relationship with and become a shareholder or member of the supervising physician's practice.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]